

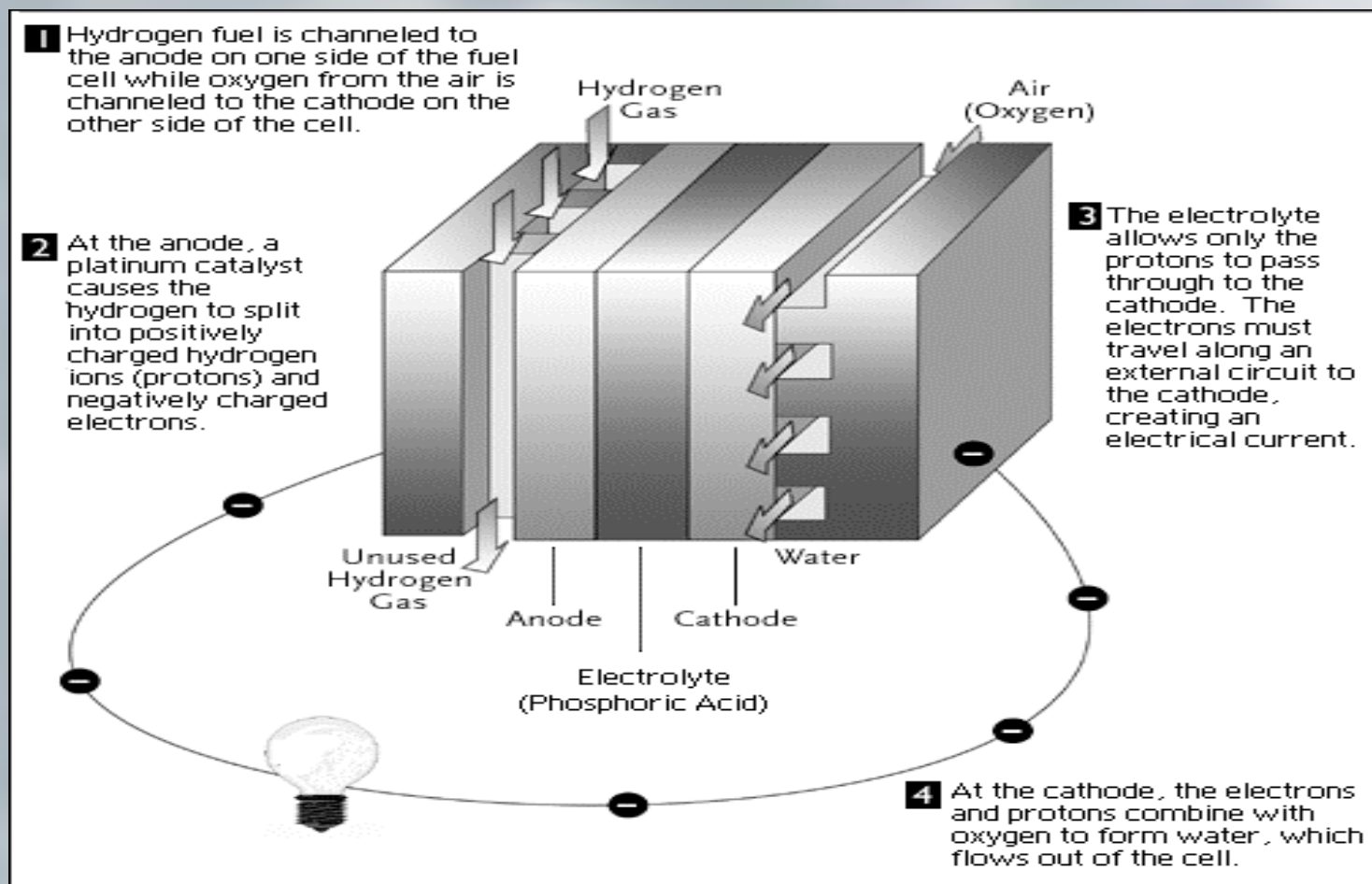
# Phosphoric Acid Fuel Cells

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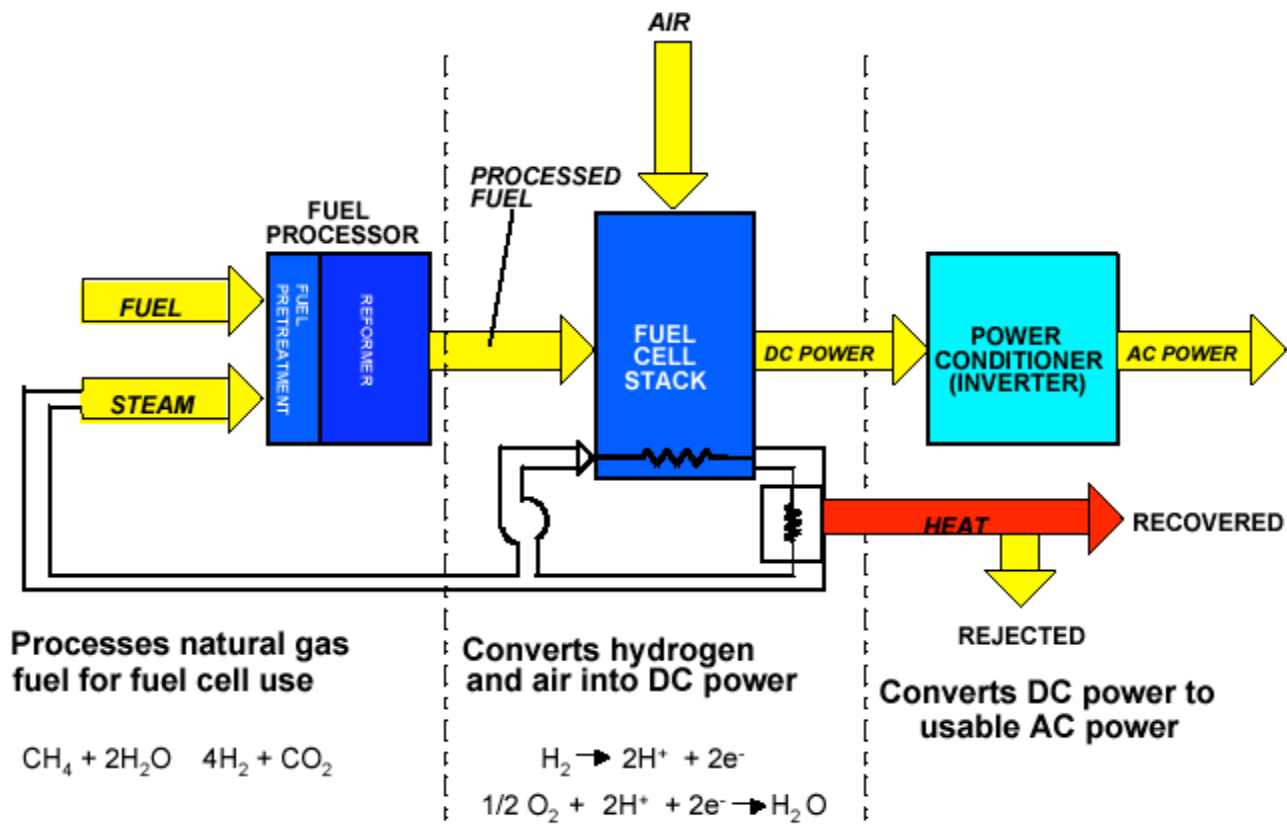
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# PAFCs— How They Work



# Balance of Plant (BOP)



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# U. S. PAFC Companies

- United Technologies Corporation (UTC)
- HydroGen LLC

# UTC Fuel Cells

## PureCell™ 200 Power Solution



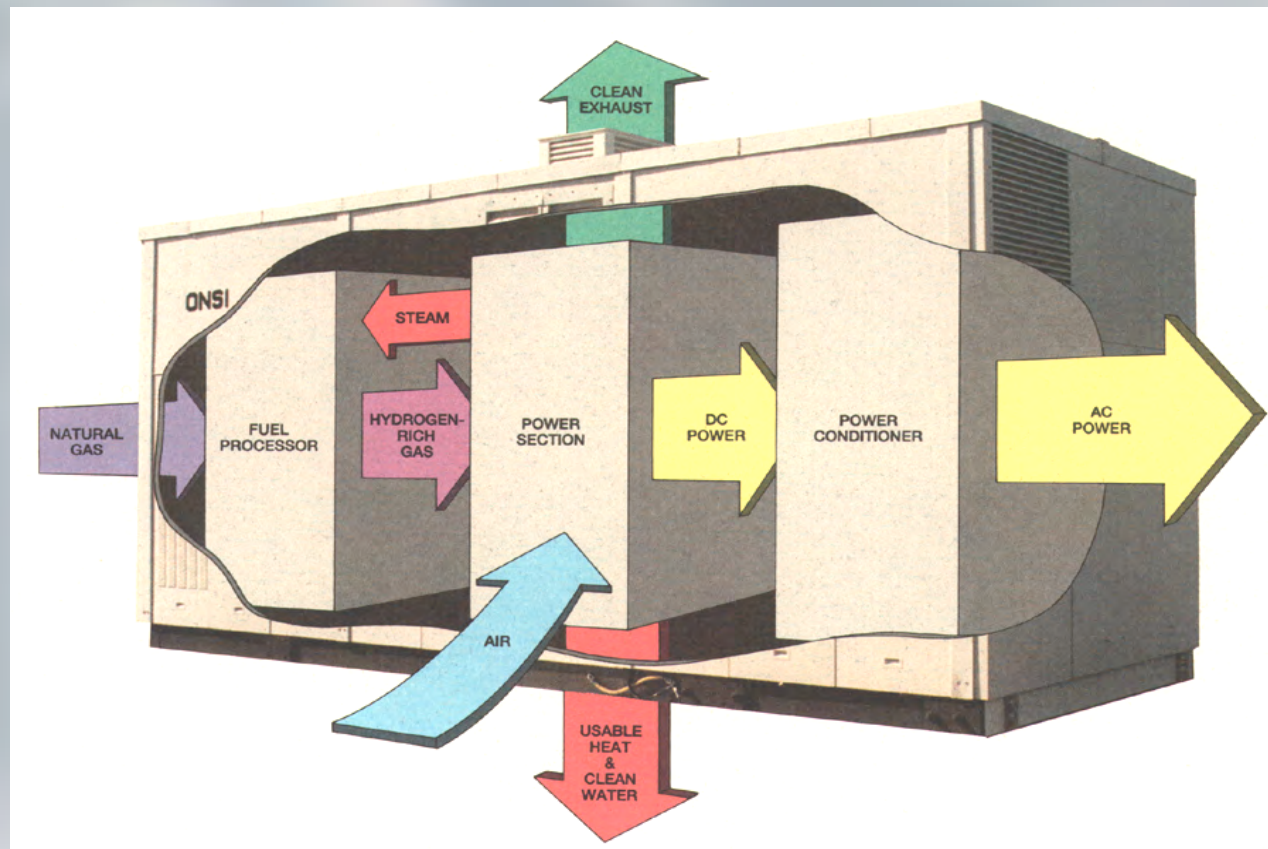
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# PureCell™ 200

(Previously PC25™)



# PureCell™ 200

- Commercialized in 1992
- 200 kW AC Power Out (Computer Grade)
  - Grid-Connect
  - Grid-Independent
  - Grid-Connect/Grid-Independent
- 925 kBtu/hr Heat Output
  - 140°F
  - 140/250°F
- Natural Gas or ADG

# PureCell™ 200

- Electrical Efficiency ~ 40% (LHV)
- Overall Efficiency (Elect + Thermal) ~85%
- Availability > 96%
- Ultra Low Air Emissions
  - Exempt From Air Emission Permitting in SCAQMD (Amendment 209)
  - Meets or Exceeds All CARB07 Air Emission Standards



# PureCell™ 200

- Stack Life Warranty – 40,000 hours
- Cost - \$850,000 (\$4,200/kW)
- > 275 Units Installed To Date
  - 19 Countries
  - 5 Continents
- > 1.1 billion kWh Generated To Date
- > 7 million Total Hours of Fleet Operation To Date

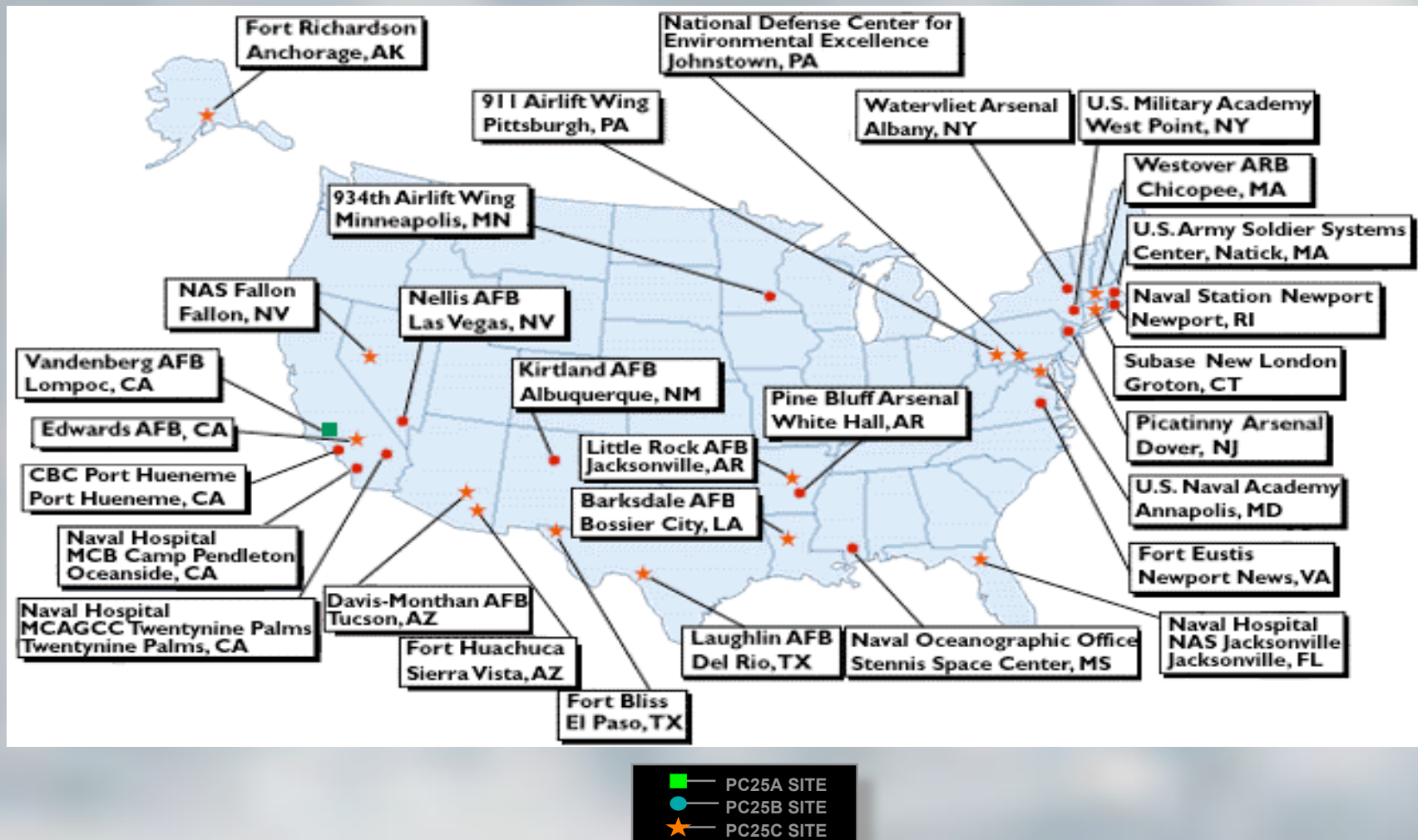
# DoD PAFC Demonstration Program

- DUECC Request for CERL Assistance
- FY93 Congressional Appropriation - \$18M
- FY94 Congressional Appropriation - \$18.75M
- Specify “...natural gas fuel cells in production in the United States...”

# Turn-key Package

- **IFC PC25 Fuel Cell Power Plant**  
    **Fy93 - 1 ea. Model A, 11 ea. Model B**  
    **Fy94 - 3 ea. Model B, 15 ea. Model C**
- **Engineering Design / Installation**
- **Training for Site Personnel**
- **60 Months Maintenance**
- **Diagnostic / Remote Monitoring Computer**

# DoD PAFC Program Sites



# DoD Facility Applications

- **Central Heat Plants**

11 Sites



- **Hospital Utility Plants**

7 Sites



- **Pool / Gymnasiums**

3 Sites



- **Others**

Barracks, Dining Facility, Laundry,  
NG Armory, Launch Control Bldg.,  
Office, Evaporator process



# FY93 Program Sites



**934th Airlift Wing, Minneapolis MN**



**Kirtland AFB, Albuquerque NM**



**Nellis AFB, Las Vegas NV**



**Vandenberg AFB, Lompoc CA**

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# FY93 Program Sites



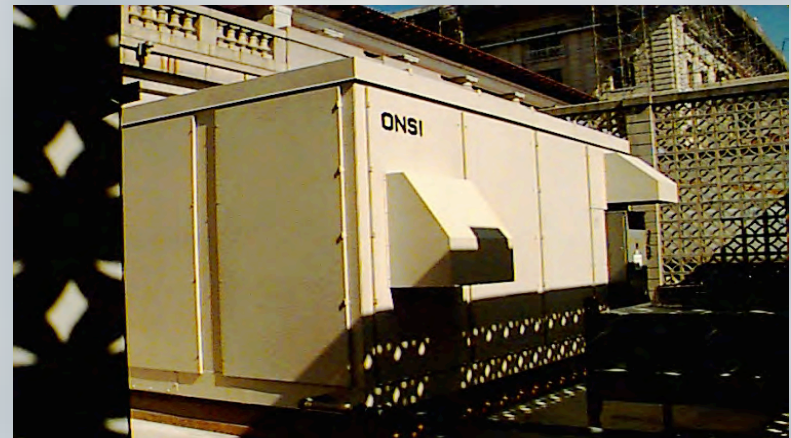
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**Naval Hospital, MCB Camp Pendleton, Oceanside CA**



**Naval Education Training Center, Newport RI**



**US Naval Academy, Annapolis MD**



# FY93 Program Sites



**U.S. Army Soldier Systems Command, Natick MA**



**Ft. Eustis, Newport News VA**



**Picatinny Arsenal, Dover NJ**



**U.S. Military Academy, West Point NY**



# FY94 Program Sites



**911th Airlift Wing, Pittsburgh PA**



**NAS Fallon, Fallon NV**



**Ft. Richardson, Anchorage AK**



**Naval Hospital, NAS Jacksonville, Jacksonville FL**

# FY94 Program Sites



**Edwards AFB, CA**



**Barksdale AFB, Bossier City LA**



**Ft. Huachuca, Sierra Vista AZ**



**National Defense Center for Environmental Excellence  
(NDCEE), Johnstown PA**



# FY94 Program Sites



**CBC Port Hueneme, Port Hueneme CA**



**Laughlin AFB, Del Rio TX**

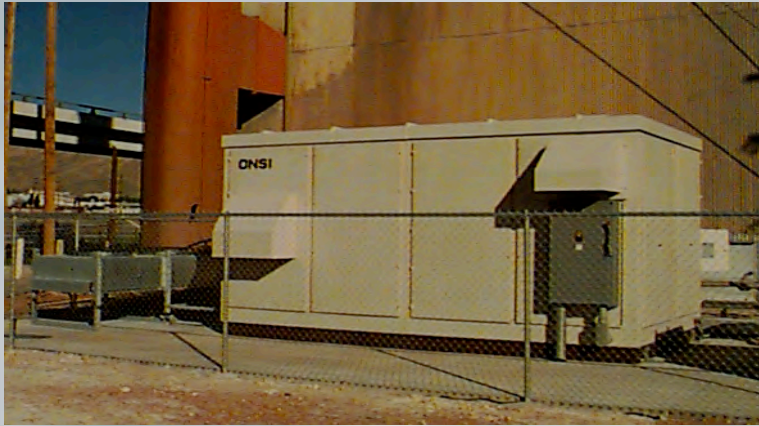


**Naval Oceanographic Office  
John C. Stennis Space Center, MS**



**Westover ARB, Chicopee MA**

# FY94 Program Sites



**Ft. Bliss, El Paso TX**



**Subase New London, Groton CT**



**Little Rock AFB, Jacksonville AR**



**Pine Bluff Arsenal, White Hall AR**

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# FY94 Program Sites



**Watervliet Arsenal, Albany NY**



**Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson AZ**

# LOGANEnergy Project



600kWe Fresno, California Project  
100 ton Adsorption Air-Conditioning

Market  
Leader

Proven  
Success

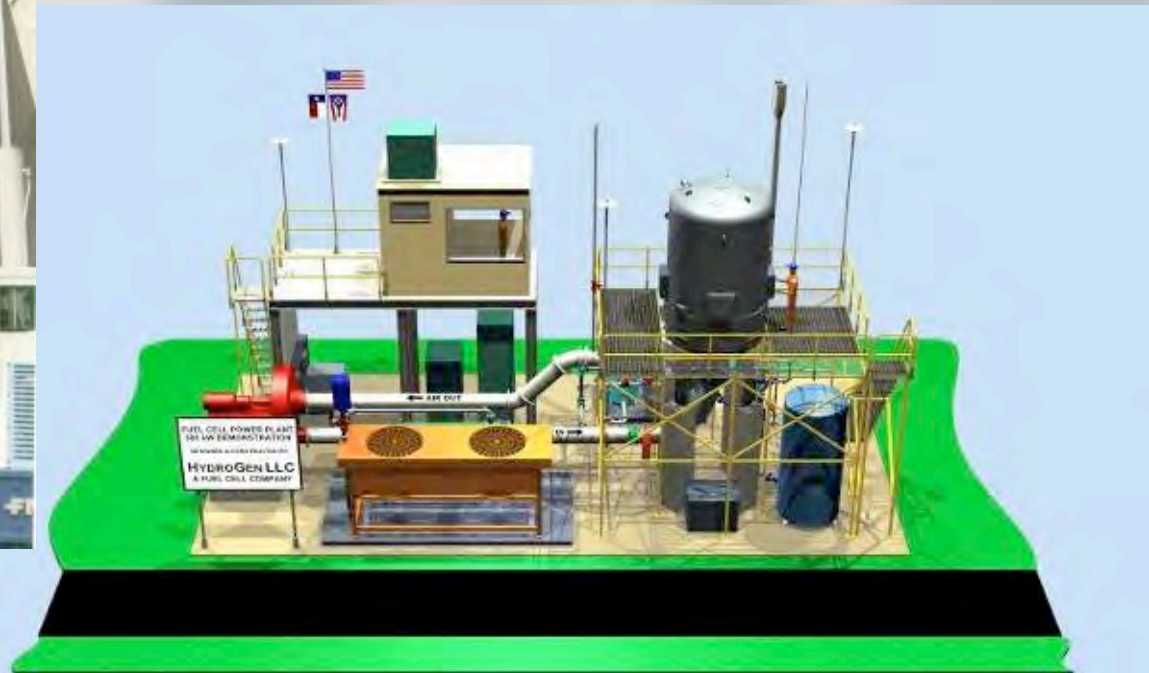
Profitable  
Company



# UTC - Future Developments

- 2007: Stack Life Warranty – 80,000 Hours
- 2009: PureCell™ 400
- 2007-2009: Price Decrease To ~\$2,000 - \$2,500/kW

# HydroGen LLC





# HydroGen LLC - Overview

- Technology is a 400kW air-cooled PAFC cell generator
- Technology was developed by Westinghouse in a cost-shared R&D program with the Department of Energy
- Technology was designed for industrial, utility, and multi-MW premium power applications
- All technology goals met or exceeded from R&D program – millions of hours of successful testing in-house

# HydroGen LLC - Overview

- Technology is ready for commercial-scale demonstration, and incorporation into a standardized product platform
- Company's standard product platform is a 2MW 'power island'
  - Five 400kW modules → 2MW
  - HydroGen builds power plants in the 6-30MW range  
→ 3-15 power standard power islands of 2MW

# Features of the HydroGen Air-cooled PAFC Module

- Capacity: 400kW
- Size: 11' tall, 7' diameter
- Efficiency: 43% (LHV – available H<sub>2</sub>)
- Cogen: Up to 70psia steam @ 360°F
- Net water: Up to 160 gal/hour for 2MW system
- Air-cooling: Simple assembly, reduced corrosion
- PA addition: During stack operation - patented



# 2MW Power Island



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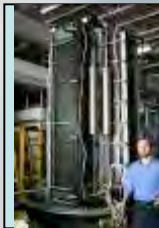


# Terminology – from fuel cell to fuel cell power plant



Pilot manufacturing

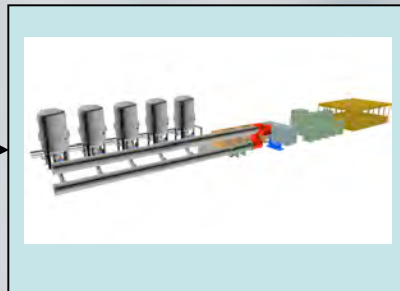
Air-cooled fuel cells stacked



4 stacks  
of 100kW  
each



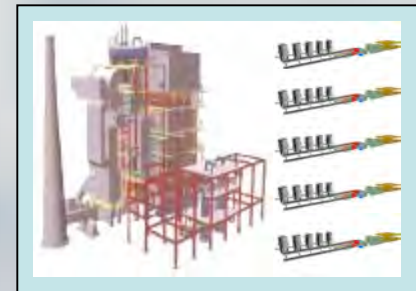
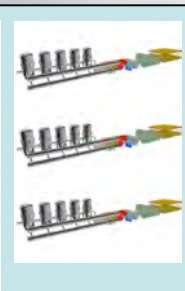
400 kW  
module



2 MW Power Island



6 MW Power Plant – H2 available



10 MW Power plant – with H2 plant

# Cost Reduction: THE issue

## Fuel cell system cost depends on:

- ***Simplicity*** of fuel cell stack technology and Balance of Plant (BOP)
- ***Fuel processing*** method
- ***Size*** of system

## HydroGen technical philosophy and product strategy:

- ***Simple***, robust Westinghouse fuel cell module technology and standard BOP
- ***Un-bundle*** the fuel processing, and use H<sub>2</sub> infrastructure or mature hydrogen plant technology
- ***Large systems*** → 6-30MW
- ***Current Cost*** - \$3,000/kW (1<sup>st</sup> 6-MW Plant)/\$1,500/kW (1<sup>st</sup> 25-MW Plant) – Hydrogen-Fueled

# What Next???

- PAFC Technology Is Quite Mature
- PAFC Manufacturers Are Funding In-House R&D To Reduce Costs Further Through Technology Advancements
- Cost Reduction Through Economies of Scale Are Required To Achieve Large-Scale Market Penetration
- Target Market Price: <\$1,500/kW
- Incentive Programs Are Very Helpful for PAFC Technology

# California Can Be An Early Adopter of PAFC Technology

California is different from much of the rest of the country with respect to:

- Rapid population growth, especially in the Central Valley
- Reliance on natural gas for electricity generation. Coal-based supply is located out of state
- Air quality non-attainment



# One Idea - HyCoGen

- Joint Effort of U.S. Army ERDC-CERL, FCTec, and LOGANEnergy
- Allows PureCell 200 Fuel Cell To Tri-generate – Electricity, Heat, and Hydrogen
- Hydrogen is Taken Off the Reformer When Needed to Fill Storage Tanks (Electricity and Heat Output are Temporarily Reduced)

# HyCoGen – A Smart Approach To Building the Hydrogen Highway

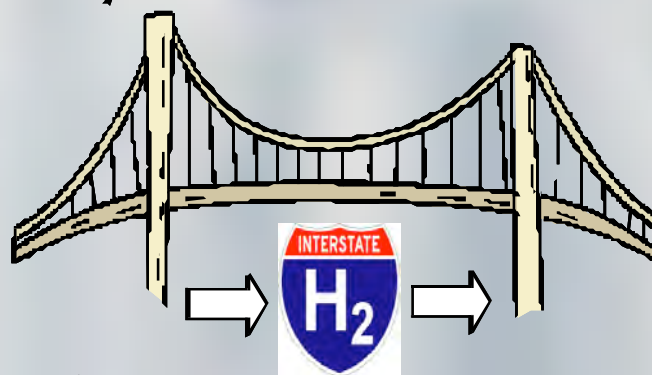
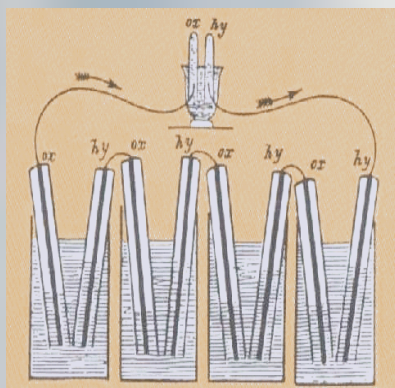
- Typical Hydrogen Fueling Stations Sit Idle Most of the Time Due to the Highly Limited Number of Hydrogen Vehicles Today
- When HyCoGen Is Not Needed To Generate Hydrogen For Storage For Vehicle Fueling, It Generates 200 kW Electricity and 925 kBtu/hr of Useful Heat
- Water Treatment Plants Make Ideal Locations Due To the “Free” ADG Fuel

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